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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A CHECK WITHIN A  
FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation  
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Enclosed are also:

- ☒ 29 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 5 Pages of Claims ( Claims 1 - 24 )  
☒ 12 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	24	-20 =	4	X	\$ 18	=	\$72
Independent Claims	3	-3 =	0	X	\$ 80	=	\$0
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